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Eastbound State Route 91 Set for Closure for Falsework Removal

RIVERSIDE – Caltrans will close all lanes of the eastbound State Route 91 (SR91) from the 14th Street Overcrossing to the 60/91/215 Interchange tonight (12/05) beginning at 10 p.m. and ending at 5 a.m. tomorrow. This closure is called in order to remove wooden and metal falsework from a connector ramp that is under construction. Falsework is the skeleton that supports the actual ramp while it is under construction.

Motorists will use the following detour to bypass the closure:

Motorists will be directed from the eastbound SR91 to the southbound State Route60/Interstate 215 and be taken off the freeway at University Avenue. From there, they will be directed to the eastbound University Avenue and rerouted to the northbound SR60/I-215.

Caltrans expects minor delays and cautions drivers to anticipate about 30 minutes of additional commuting time.

This work is part of the \$317 million effort to implement the 60/91/215 Freeway Improvement Project. Caltrans, the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) are working in partnership to construct improvements to this project. The overall project spans a distance of nearly seven miles from the Eucalyptus Ave. Overcrossing at I-215 northbound to the Columbia Ave. Overcrossing over I-215 and westbound to where 14th St. crosses over State Route 91 in Riverside. This project is one of the largest and most complex public works projects in the Inland Empire. It should be finished by late 2007.

For project updates, call Caltrans directly at 1-866-60-91-215, or view the Web site at http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist8/6091215/schedule.htm

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